

## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION

Notice of a Change in Status of an Extended Benefit (EB) Period for Alaska.

**AGENCY**: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a change in benefit period eligibility under the EB program for Alaska.

The following changes have occurred since the publication of the last notice regarding the State's EB status:

 Alaska's 13-week insured unemployment rate (IUR) for the week ending January 7, 2012 rose to meet the 6% threshold to trigger "on" to the EB program. Alaska's payable period in the Extended Benefits program began January 22, 2012.

The trigger notice covering state eligibility for the EB program can be found at: <a href="http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims">http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims</a> arch.asp.

## **Information for Claimants**

The duration of benefits payable in the EB program, and the terms and conditions on which they are payable, are governed by the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970, as amended, and the operating instructions issued to the states by the U.S. Department of Labor. In the case of a state beginning an EB period,

the State Workforce Agency will furnish a written notice of potential entitlement to each

individual who has exhausted all rights to regular benefits and is potentially eligible for

EB (20 CFR 615.13 (c) (1)).

Persons who believe they may be entitled to EB, or who wish to inquire about their rights

under the program, should contact their State Workforce Agency.

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Signed in Washington, D.C., this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2012.

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